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Northwest Prep School Rally Set For April 12-13

Literary, Music, Athletics to be Featured at Two-Day Rally

The Northwest Louisiana High School Rally will be held on the college campus, Friday and Saturday, April 12 and 13. Contests in music, literary subjects and athletics will be held during the two-day rally. This year's competition will have two divisions—A and B. Trials in track and field events will be held Friday afternoon at 1:45 p. m.

Entries must be in the Secretary's office not later than noon, Tuesday, April 2, 1940. No fee will be charged for entrance.

Sleeping quarters will be provided on Friday night for contestants, the principal, and one coach from each school more than fifty miles distance from Natchitoches.

Keeping pace with modern trends, a new contest has been added to the rally in the form of Radio speaking. This contest will occur Friday night at 7:30 o'clock in Caldwell Auditorium with Professor R. L. Ropp in charge

Demons Eliminated From National Cage Tournament

The Louisiana State Normal College Demon cagers, winners of the Louisiana Intercollegiate Conference crown and the runner-up team in the S. I. A. A. conference tournament, lost their opening game in the National Intercollegiate Tournament at Kansas City, Mo., Monday night, to Southeastern College of Durant, Okla., 33 to 27.

Coach Prather's squad left the campus Sunday morning and according to reports received here did not arrive in Kansas City until a short time before they were forced to play. The game was the third in the national play-off.

According to reports from the game, both teams were sadly off form, with Josh Briley, six foot nine inch center and pacer of the Demon pack this season with more than 300 points to his credit, getting only six points, in one field goal and four foul shots.

Coach Prather used nine players in the game with Perkins, Thomas, Jackson and Cummings playing at forwards, Briley and Snead at center, and Starnes, Boswell and McElroy at the guard posts.

The loss Monday night was the fourth out of 25 games played this season. The Demons have lost two games to Southwestern and one each to Western Kentucky (championship game in S. I. A. A.) and Southeastern of Oklahoma.

The Normal team has four victories each over Centenary, Louisiana Tech, and Louisiana College, a pair of wins over Southwestern of Lafayette, Arkansas State Teachers of Conway, and Delta State Teachers of Cleveland, Miss., and one each over Georgetown college of Kentucky, Stephen F. Austin college of Nacogdoches, Texas, and Southeastern college of Hammond.

SOIL CHIEF



DR. W. C. LOWDERMILK
Research Division
Soil Conservation Service
Washington, D. C.

"Soil Erosion and Civilization," a fascinating picture story of man's battle against soil erosion since before the dawn of history will be presented in an address at Louisiana State Normal College, Natchitoches, Thursday afternoon, April 4, beginning at 2:00 o'clock, by Dr. W. C. Lowdermilk, Washington, D. C., assistant Chief of the Soil Conservation Service of the U. S. Department of Agriculture. The discussion and the 100 colored slides will be based upon Dr. Lowdermilk's recent survey for the Department of Agriculture in Europe, North Africa and the Near East. He will tell how man's misuse of the land has destroyed civilizations and how, taking a lesson from the tragedies of older civilizations, citizens of the United States are protecting their resources of soil, water, timber and wildlife. The address, open to the public, will be presented in the auditorium of Caldwell Hall at 2:00 P. M. Thursday, April 4, on the campus of Louisiana State Normal at Natchitoches.

French Teachers of North Louisiana Organize Here

French teachers in 33 secondary schools of 25 North and Central Louisiana parishes attended a conference on the State Normal campus here Saturday, March 16.

Plans for the organization of a North Louisiana French rally association, the founding of a statewide French teachers' association and the establishment of a professional publication for the French teachers of the state were discussed. Miss Mouton, head of the department of French at the college and chairman of the meet, stated.

A special feature of the one-day meet was a panel discussion of French-teaching problems. The place and importance of oral composition and dictation, the effectiveness of visual aids, the value of cultural essays and the importance of French correspondence were among the topics discussed.

Teachers of French in Shreveport, Alexandria, Monroe, Ruston, Kinder, Haynesville and Natchitoches schools led the discussions in the panel forum.

The French teachers' meeting here Saturday was the first conference of its kind ever held on the local college campus.

Relay Carnival Will Be Held On Campus April 6

Plans for Fifth Annual High School Meet Announced

Entry blanks and instructions governing the fifth annual all-state prep school relay carnival at the Louisiana State Normal college here on April 6 were mailed to coaches throughout the state last week. Coach Harry Turpin, chairman of the meet, announced.

For the first time in the history of the carnival, schools will be completely divided into A and B classes. Prior to this session, athletes from both divisions competed in the same events with separation of schools coming at the termination of the carnival in order to determine winners in each class.

Two changes have been made in the events offered this year with the 70-yard high hurdles boosted to a 120-yard race and the basketball relay contest eliminated from the roster.

Gold, silver and bronze medals

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Educators Hold Meeting Here

High school principals, parish superintendents, and supervisors from seven parishes in Northwest Louisiana attended a conference here on the campus on Tuesday, March 5.

Presided over by Lloyd Johnson of Grand Bayou, chairman, and I. C. Strickland of Mansfield, state coordinator, the meeting was held in the visual education room of the library.

The program consisted of a discussion of the following: "How do you teach a pupil to study?" by R. B. Prestridge of Methvin; "What program of in-service training of teachers has been developed in your school? How are the teachers of your school kept abreast of current educational developments?" by Roy Alford of Florien; "What are the possibilities of visual education in our district?" by P. L. Morgan of Hanna Junior High; and "Are your students taught the rules of behavior in society? Is the teaching direct or indirect? Are the various experiences of the school used to this end?" by E. E. Dees of Ashland.

The one-day conclave was attended by representatives from the following parishes: Grant, Natchitoches, Sabine, Vernon, Winn, DeSoto, and Red River.

Lyceum Group To Present Vanderbilt

On April 3 the Lyceum Committee will present Cornelius Vanderbilt, Jr., internationally famous journalist, who is to speak on the subject, "Interviews on the Eve of the War."

Mr. Vanderbilt has distinguished himself with the many short stories that have appeared in a number of outstanding magazines, as a journalist for several paramount newspapers, and by the lectures that he has given throughout the nation.

Dr. W. C. Lowdermilk To Give Address on Importance of Soil Conservation Program

"Soil Erosion and Civilization" Will Be Topic of Illustrated Lecture

A fascinating picture-story of man's battle against soil erosion through the centuries—a story of interest to the general public and agricultural workers alike—will be presented by Dr. W. C. Lowdermilk, assistant chief of the Soil Conservation Service, Washington, D. C., at Louisiana State Normal College, Natchitoches, at 2:00 P. M. on Thursday, April 4. The meeting, sponsored by the College and Natchitoches Chamber of Commerce, will be held in the auditorium of Caldwell Hall on the campus.

Speech Tourneys To Draw College, Hi School Students

College Meet Held March 15-16; High School Set For March 29-30

More than 300 speakers of both college and high school rank will attend two speech tournaments on the Louisiana State Normal college campus here this month, forensic officials of the college announced this week.

The seventh annual Louisiana forensic attended by colleges and universities from six states was held on March 15 and 16 and the first annual "Big Ten" high school meet is scheduled for March 29 and 30.

Debating on current college and high school questions will be featured in both tournaments, with the college meet also offering individual competition in radio speaking, oratory, poetry reading and impromptu speaking for both men and women. Awards will be presented to winners in all events.

Speakers from Missouri, Mississippi, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Texas and Louisiana colleges and universities enrolled in the tour-

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Faculty Members To Visit Nearby High Schools

A committee, headed by W. J. Avery, Extension Director, is making plans and necessary arrangements for staff and faculty members to visit high schools in the area served primarily by the college. Similar visits were made last year and in the opinion of those making the trips, they were both instructive and enjoyable.

At a recent faculty meeting, President Fredericks expressed the purpose of these visits when he said, "It has always been my desire to bring the college and its services in close contact with the high schools and elementary schools of this State to the end the college might be well informed as to the great problems being made in public school education and to become familiar with their problems." President Fredericks further pointed out that such visits would afford a splendid opportunity for the faculty members

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"Soil Erosion and Civilization" will be the subject of this illustrated discussion during which 100 colored slides will be shown. These pictures were taken by Dr. Lowdermilk during a 15-months' survey just completed in Europe, North Africa and the Near East. The discussion is open to the public.

Dr. Lowdermilk, who was chosen by the Department of Agriculture to begin a survey of the experience of older countries in the use of land as it relates to soil erosion, soil and water conservation, and torrential flood control, traveled more than 30,000 miles by train, airplane, automobile and afoot in 17 countries of the Old World. He visited 124 acres of special interest.

Agricultural Explorations

His studies took him into Egypt, Algeria, Tunisia, Lybia, Trans-Jordan, Palestine, Lebanon, Syria, Iraq, as well as several European countries. As a background to

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La. Intercollegiate Conference Meets In Alexandria

The Louisiana Intercollegiate Conference held a meeting in Alexandria, Sunday, March 17, with representatives present from Centenary, Louisiana Tech, Louisiana College, Louisiana Normal, and Southwestern. Matters concerning publicity for the Conference, arranging track schedules and the possibility of holding conference tournaments were discussed. The conference agreed that the first annual Louisiana Intercollegiate Conference track meet would be held at Louisiana Tech and the Golf Tournament at Southwestern.

Most of the conference schools reported that they anticipated having intercollegiate competition in baseball this spring. The matter of holding an annual Louisiana Intercollegiate Basketball Tournament was considered. This will be decided at a later date by the basketball coaches in the respective schools. It is probable that such a tournament would decide the championship rather than a percentage of games won and lost during the regular season.

Eddie McLane, former director of Athletics at Louisiana Tech, first president of the conference, now no longer connected with athletics, requested by letter that his resignation be accepted. The council accepted his resignation and elected R. L. Brown, Athletic

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SCHOOL CALENDAR

- March 21-25 Easter Holidays (Begin noon March 21)
- March 29-30 Big Ten High School Debate Tournament here
- April 3 Cornelius Vanderbilt, Jr., Lyceum number in Caldwell Hall, 8:00 P. M.
- April 6 Annual Prep School Relay Carnival, 1:30 P. M.
- April 12-13 Northwest Louisiana Rally
- April 16 Barriere Little Symphony, Lyceum number with Natchitoches Concert Association, High School Auditorium, 8:00.
- April 27 Dual Track Meet, Loyola-Normal, 2:30 P. M.

The Elementary Science Column

THE ANT NEST

By Dr. Lauretta E. Fox

Everyone has read about the social life of ants and their fascinating habits. Have you ever observed them? Let's build an observation nest where we can study their activities. This is the proper season to collect a colony and start an ant nest.

Obtain two pieces of glass, five by eight inches, for the top and bottom of the nest. Cut two strips of glass one-quarter of an inch wide and eight inches long, one piece of glass one-quarter of an inch wide and five inches long, and two pieces of glass one-quarter of an inch wide and two and one-quarter inches long. Find an old cup. Mix a half cup of cement, as used in building. Cover the edges of the strips of glass with cement and fasten them around the edges of the large piece of glass except for a half inch in the center of one end. This forms a glass tray.

Little Red Ant

Collect a colony of ants. Take a small covered jar and a larger container for soil along. Choose a small colony of some type of little ant. The little red ant found in fine sand along roadsides is suitable. Some species which live under stones adapt themselves to life in a nest very readily. Excavate the nest carefully. Locate the cocoons, eggs and queen. The white, elongated structures about as large as a grain of rice are cocoons. Each worker picks up a cocoon and scampers away when the nest is disturbed. The eggs are about the size of pin heads and massed in clusters. Obtain both eggs and cocoons. The queen occupies the lower central chamber. She is much larger than other ants. Her sole occupation is egg-laying. She is tenderly cared for by the workers of the tribe. It is essential to obtain a queen. If you cannot find her in one colony, excavate another colony. A colony without a queen will either never start to work or cease to work in a day or two. When no queen is present, the workers roam aimlessly about the nest until they die.

Bring the queen, eggs, cocoons and a few workers back in the

covered jar. Fill the large container with sand or soil from the vicinity of the nest. Sift the soil into the glass tray you constructed until it is level with the edges of the glass strips. Clear a small area in the center of the tray. Mix a small amount of cement and spread it on the exposed edges of the glass strips. Dump the ants into the cavity in the center of the tray. Quickly cover the entrance hole with tape also. Store the nest in a dark closet for two or three days. When the ants have settled down and collected their household, bring the nest out. Cover the surfaces with cardboard except when observing. Keep the colony at all times in subdued light.

Honey Water

Remove the gummed paper from the nest every two days and insert a dropper full of water so the soil remains moist in one region. Feed the ants dead insects, bread crumbs and minute pieces of meat once a week. Occasionally a small amount of honey water may be given. To make honey water dilute one part of honey with two parts of water. Never give too much honey water because the ants will eat it until "drunk" and forget their domestic duties.

Do not jar the nest at any time. This excites the ants and interferes with observations. If you expect the colony to prosper, move with deliberation when feeding, and observing.

Entrance Open

If you want to leave the entrance open, place the colony on an inverted glass bowl in a tray of water. This surrounds the colony by a water "moat." Cover the exposed areas with a piece of cardboard to reduce light.

About two months are required to bring a brood to maturity. The first brood of the season is usually workers. The second may be queens and drones. The queens and drones leave the colony amid great excitement on their marriage flights. Soon after this flight the males die but the queens lose their wings and dig a small cavity in the sand to start a new colony.

rector of the Southern Craft paper mill at Springhill.

O. R. Johnson who is teaching at Mer Rouge.

Alva Cook, staff member of the Intake and Certification Bureau at Many.

Gifford Harris, studying veteri-

Columns Change From Magazine To Monthly Newspaper

This issue of the Normal Alumni Columns will mark a new era in alumni publications at the college. Originally started as a magazine the "Columns" will now appear as a five column newspaper. The change from a magazine to a newspaper had been under discussion by the staff of the publication for a considerable period of time.

The main objectives in changing from the magazine type of publication to that of a newspaper is to make possible more frequent editions of the columns in order that alumni of the institution might have news of happenings at the college and among the alumni when it is more timely and of greatest news value. By publishing a monthly paper it is the thought of the staff that news of the college might be given before programs have passed into history thus allowing the alumni to participate in many of the activities in which they might be interested.

We would greatly appreciate your frank opinion of this change and any comments and suggestions that you might have relative to what should go in the new publication that it might better serve the alumni and the college. The editor is particularly desirous of obtaining news of the alumni. To that end, if you will send us information about yourself, your family, your work, or any other interesting information, we will greatly appreciate your cooperation. It is our desire that this publication will act as a clearing house for alumni information and its dissemination.

nary medicine at Texas A. & M. College, College Station, Texas.

Jack Burgess, enrolled in the law school at L. S. U.

Arland Hand, studying vocational agriculture at the University.

Guy Wimberly, practicing law at Shreveport.

James Halbert who is working for an oil company at Tullos.

Mary Wimberly, enrolled in school at the state university.

Billy Baucum, Springhill, coaching; Violet Davion, teaching at Springhill; Elizabeth Beard, teaching at Pelican; Thomas Elkins, coaching at Longstreet.

J. B. Maxey, coaching at Oak Grove; Milton McGee, coaching at Martin High School, Coushatta; John Elkins, coaching at Sikes; Orville Dupree, coaching at Florien; C. A. Martin, coaching and teaching at Marthaville; Merald Williams, teaching at Many, Milton Hall, coaching at Many.

James Austin, teaching at Mooringsport; Dorothy Soden, teaching at Winnfield; Marvin Wyatt, coaching at Winnfield; Jack Clayton, coaching at Bossier City; J. T. Leopold, Principal at Many; Clinton Jackson, teaching at Hall Summit; Lucille Carpenter, teaching at Oakdale; Monroe Webb, coaching at Flora.

Lorene Madden, teaching at Haughton; Curtis Bradshaw, principal of Orange High School at Anacoco; Roohk Caskey, teaching at Weston; Ruth Pinckley, teaching at Campti; R. J. Stoker, Principal at Pisgah; Faye Patrick, teaching at Sarepta.

Mary Catherine Williams, teaching at Mer Rouge; J. O. Davis, Principal of Trout-Goodpine High School; T. H. Cassel, student L. S. U. vocational agriculture.

While facts about how to Control Cancer may be imparted to large groups of people at one time, the application of these facts depends upon the intelligent action of the individual.

With The Alumni

Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Walker, (Clara Louise Havard) are living in Chicatah, Oklahoma, Box 184, where Mr. Walker is working for the Soil Conservation Service as Junior Soil Surveyor.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred P. Dabolt, Jr., (Dottie V. Irion, A. B. '38) are now living at 200 Alleygheny Street, Cittanning, Pennsylvania.

Martha Fleming, A. B. '39, is teaching in the Jonesville High School.

Robert Durr, B. S. '39, is employed by the Intake and Certification Bureau at Many.

Muriene Giddings, B. S. '39, is working for the Farm Security Administration in Little Rock, Arkansas, 601 Rock Street. Muriene is a graduate of the commerce curriculum.

Miss Hazel Trichel, A. B. '39, of Harrisonburg, is now Mrs. S. E. Lanier of the same place.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Ford, Jr., ex '33, L. S. N. C., and B. S. '37, LSU, (Evelyn Powers, B. S. '37, L. S. U.) of Ingewood, California, formerly of Natchitoches and Baton Rouge, are the parents of two children, Ronald, age twenty-three months, and Gail Evelyn, born October 31, 1939. Mr. Ford is employed by the American Aviation Company as Engineer in the Weight Computing Department at Ingewood. Home—1126 South Rosewood Avenue.

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A Capella Choir Tours Louisiana

The college A Capella Choir, under the direction of Robert Frizzell, has recently returned from two state tours covering the northern and southern part of Louisiana.

The first program presented by the music group was at Robeline high school. Following concerts were given at Many, Leesville, Rosepine, Sulphur, Lake Charles, Opelousas, Crowley, and Alexandria.

Beginning February 26, the second tour included fifteen concerts in eleven towns: Shreveport, Vivian, Minden, Homer, Haynesville, Monroe, Winnsboro, Gilbert, Jena, Winnfield, and Alexandria. While in Shreveport the choir sang for Byrd, and Fair Park schools and gave a fifteen minute broadcast from one of the local radio stations. A program composed entirely of sacred music was given at the St. James Episcopal church in Alexandria to conclude the tour.

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SPEECH TOURNAMENTS TO DRAW COLLEGE, HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

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nament last week. Last year 25 institutions from the six states sent representatives to the annual speech festival.

Schools classed in the newly-formed "Big Ten" speech conference include C. E. Byrd and Fair Park of Shreveport, Behrman, Fortier, Jesuit and Warren Easton of New Orleans, Bolton of Alexandria, Oakdale, Lake Charles and Natchitoches. In the high school meet four students, two on the affirmative and two on the negative, will constitute a team. Separate divisions will be formed for boys and girls in the debate sections.

W. D. McKay of Bolton high school is president of the high school league, with W. J. Dodd of Oakdale, vice-president, and R. L. Ropp, director of forensics at the State Normal college, secretary-treasurer.

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Luxemburg's flag is like the American—red, white and blue.

Dance Group Gives Recitals in Seven S. Louisiana Cities

Bunkie, Oakdale, New Iberia, Crowley, Abbeville, Franklin, Port Allen Visited

Twenty-three students of the women's department of Health and Physical Education at the college gave a series of modern dance recitals last week in seven South Louisiana cities.

The college group appeared in Bunkie, Oakdale, and New Iberia, Thursday; Crowley, Abbeville and Franklin, Friday; and Port Allen, Saturday. The group gave its initial recital in the high school auditorium Tuesday night.

Presented under the direction of Miss Palma Robinson, the program includes 27 original compositions composed of technique studies, mood compositions, folk studies, numbers danced to the rhythm of poetry instead of music, and solo, duo, trio, and group selections.

"The Campus Suite"

Two suites, "War and Reconstruction" and "The Campus Suite" will be used to show the ability of the group in dancing and choreography. The "War and Reconstruction" suite is based on the Civil War; while the "Campus Suite" portrays several aspects of campus life.

"Contemplation" deals with the early morning rising problems; "Social Hall" is a center of campus activity and is usually a stop on the way to class; "In the Classroom" is an abstraction of class procedure which includes roll call, questions, and lectures; "Recreation" shows several of the many activities students engage in during their campus life; and "Strolling" brings in the ever present flirtation, a walk, and the familiar whistle.

Original in every respect, the entire program of 27 compositions has been developed through the cooperation and creative ability of the group. The recitals last week were the first of their kind ever presented by a group from the college here.

Twenty-three Named

Following are the students who appeared in the recital: Luella Mangum, Castor; Mae Bell, Flora; Bernice Bedingfield, Shreveport; Dorothy Braud, Larose; Colene Hart, West Monroe; Gertrude Alford, Oscar; Elaine Carville, Plaquemine; Marguerite Grow, New Orleans; Pauline Scott, Boyce; Virginia Rldge, Alexandria; Janc McCardell, Franklin, Alfreda Nuncz, Arabi.

Tessie Schexnaldre, Shreveport; Elizabeth Boone, Winnfield; Dore Noble, Converse; Bessie Gullory, Chataignier; Ethel Flowers, Erath; Johnny King, West Monroe; Evelyn Allen, Kentwell; Mable Green, Newellton; Marion Lee, Benton; Verlon Lovell, Winnfield; Joyce Bachemin, Covington.

Clare Hargis of Natchitoches is stage manager, Annie Laurie Poe of Alexandria is pianist and Miss Palma Robinson, member of the department of health and physical education faculty, is director of the group.

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Director of Southwestern, as President of the Conference, and Coach H. H. Turpin of State Normal was elected Vice-president. Athletic Director Henry Walden of Louisiana College was named Secretary-Treasurer.

Representatives of all institutions felt that the Louisiana Intercollegiate Conference is constantly gaining in popularity and strength and would soon be one of the strongest conferences in this area.

Campus Visitors

Frank Peinert of Vivian. Frank is teaching in the high school at Vivian.

Wilburn Slack, personnel di-

MARRIAGES

Miss Gayle Martin, A. B. '38, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Oay Martin of Arcadia, to Bert Loe, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Loe of Bienville, Saturday, December 23, 1939. The ceremony took place in Ruston in the First Presbyterian Church. Mrs. Loe has been a member of the Arcadia school faculty since her graduation from the State Normal College. They are at home in Arcadia, where Mr. Loe has a position in the cotton office.

Miss Virginia Dale White to Kenneth H. Rembert of Shreveport. They are both graduates of Byrd High School and both attended Centenary College. Mrs. Rembert attended Louisiana State Normal College. They will make their home in Shreveport.

Miss Lois Turner, A. B. '39, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Turner of Minden, and James F. Fritz, son of Mrs. W. A. Fritz of Minden, which was celebrated in the First Baptist Church of Minden on Sunday, December 24, 1939. Mrs. Fritz has been teaching in the Springhill High School since her graduation from the State Normal College. Mr. Fritz is connected with the Southern Kraft Company in Springhill where the young couple are residing on Chestnut Street.

Miss Alice Marie Clark, ex '37, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Fillmore Clark, Sr., of Little Rock, Arkansas, formerly of Shreveport, to Roy Joe Anderson of Baton Rouge, Thursday, December 21, 1939.

Miss Allura Roberia Pelham, A. B. '35, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Pelham of Spartanburg, South Carolina, formerly of Shreveport, to Thomas Worth Bishop, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bishop, of Gumby, Texas, Saturday, December 23, 1939, at the Kingshighway Christian Church. Home—Fort Worth, Texas.

Miss Maxine Dugan, B. S. '38, of Florien, to James Darby, of

Trade School, Home Economics Dept. Cooperate To Build New Cottage

Among the many new buildings now under construction on the State Normal Campus, the practice cottage stands out as a product of inter-departmental cooperation.

The actual planning of this building was taken over by a class in home management under the supervision of Miss Minnie Lee Odom, assistant professor of home economics. This class began by sketching floor plans and making all the necessary provisions for lockers, cabinets, shelves, windows and doors. After dimensions of the various rooms had been calculated, a drawing of the floor plan with all necessary details was sent to the Natchitoches Trade School.

Mr. Glivens, superintendent of the school, presented the plans to a group of men, responsible for

the physical work involved. These men spend from five to six hours each day on the building learning the techniques of carpentry and electrical wiring.

This is the first building in the state of Louisiana that is being constructed in such a way. The home economics department has rendered its services in planning the new practice cottage, and the trade school has entered into the picture by putting these plans into execution.

When this building is completed it will consist of four bedrooms, three bathrooms, kitchen, living room, dining room, sleeping porch, hall and patio. The new cottage will stand out as an example of how two departments can work together to achieve success.

Many, Friday, December 15, in Natchitoches. Home—Many.

Miss Claudell Lovell, ex '35, of Winnfield, to Kidd Farr, A. B. '38, of Merryville, Saturday, December 23, 1939, in Winnfield. They are at home in Merryville where Mr. Farr is a member of the high school faculty.

Miss Mabel Wade, A. B. '36, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Wade of Many, to Wilbert McKinney, son of Mrs. R. N. McKinney of Ida, Friday, December 22, 1939. Mrs. McKinney is continuing her work as a teacher of Florien high school, and Mr. McKinney is employed by the Magnolia Oil Company in Ida.

Miss Edna Nabours, ex '38, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Nabours of Many, to David A. Mitchell of Shreveport, Sunday, December 10, in Shreveport. Mr. Mitchell is manager of the paint department at Feibleman's Sears at Shreveport. Home—245 Herndon Street, Shreveport.

Miss Mildred Lenore Hagg, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel O. Hagg of Ponchatoula, to Richard Douglas Clanton, A. B. '37, son of Mrs. Richard A. Clanton

and the late Mr. Clanton of Coushatta, Monday, December 25, 1939, at the Ponchatoula Methodist Church. Home—Ponchatoula, where Mr. Clanton is head of the commerce department in the high school.

Miss Hazel Wimberly, A. B. '39, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. H. O. Wimberly of Campti, to W. O. Jeffcoat of Tallulah, Saturday, November 18, 1939, at the First Baptist Church in Jackson, Mississippi. For several years Mrs. Jeffcoat was a member of the school faculty of Martin High School of Coushatta. Home—Tallulah.

Miss Eugenia Sweeney, A. B. '34, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. I. A. Sweeney, to A. C. Kirkpatrick, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Kirkpatrick of Lake Charles, Friday, November 17, 1939. Mrs. Kirkpatrick is a member of the LaOrange High School faculty of Lake Charles. Mr. Kirkpatrick is employed by Victor Canfield of Lake Charles, where the young couple are at home.

Miss Doris Estelle Gill, A. B. '28, daughter of Mrs. Linnie Swor Gill and the late Robert Douglas Gill of Bethany, to Lloyd C. Logan, son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Orren Logan of Panama City, Panama, Saturday, November 18, 1939. Mrs. Logan is a member of the Claiborne Avenue faculty. Mr. Logan attended Louisiana State University and the Georgia School of Technology. He is connected with the Sinclair Refining Company of Greenwood where they are at home.

Miss Joe Alice McKinney, ex '39, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. McKinney of Campti, to Aubrey P. Ballard, Thursday, January 18, 1940, in Campti. The young couple are at home in Coushatta where Mr. Ballard is a member of the high school faculty.

Miss Chlotine Fordham, A. B. '39, of Winnfield, to Marvin Wyatt, A. B. '38, Friday, December 22, 1939. The young couple are at home in Winnfield where Mr. Wyatt is a member of the high school faculty.

Miss Martha DePrato, A. B. '38, of Ferriday, to Lloyd Paul, ex '40, December 15, 1939, in Natchitoches. They are at home in Ferriday where both are teaching in the high school.

Miss Annie Ruth Boydston, B. S. '39, daughter of Mrs. R. W. Boydston of Natchitoches, to Albert G. Fletcher, Valera, Texas, Sunday, December 24, 1939, in Natchitoches. Mrs. Fletcher has been teaching Home Economics in the Centennial High School of Valera since her graduation from the State Normal College. They

will make their home in Valera where Mr. Fletcher is engaged in business.

Miss Curdice Allums, ex '39, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Allums of Vivian, to Milton Norris, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Norris of Vivian, Saturday, November 11, 1939, in Bethany. Mr. Norris is employed by the Magnolia Petroleum Company of Vivian, where the couple are making their home.

Miss Justine Marie Hoyer, A. B. '38, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hoyer of Bossier City, to William Childs Brunson, son of Judge and Mrs. O. K. Brunson of Eunice, Saturday, November 24. The couple are at home in Dutchtown, where Mr. and Mrs. Brunson are members of the high school faculty.

Miss Daisy Evelyn Anderson, A. B. '39, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Anderson of Leesville, to Cary Winston Hancock, Sunday, December 3, at Leesville. Home—Winnfield.

Miss Jane Pipkin, daughter of Mrs. O. G. Pipkin and the late Mr. Pipkin of Shreveport, to Ben Thomas of Coushatta, Saturday, January 6, 1940, in Alexandria. Mrs. Thomas is a senior in the Home Economics Curriculum at the State Normal College. They are to make their home in Coushatta where Mr. Thomas is in business.

Miss Estelle Guillory, ex '39, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. Guillory of Natchitoches, to T. E. Stutes of Sulphur, Saturday, February 3, in the Methodist Church at Natchitoches. Home—Sulphur where Mr. Stutes is engaged in business.

Miss Marie Edwards of Baton Rouge to George Smith, ex '37, of Natchitoches, Saturday, February 10, in Baton Rouge. Home—Natchitoches where Mrs. Smith is working for the Farm Security Administration, and Mr. Smith is working at A. & P.

Miss Lenore Major, ex '39, of New Roads, to James Hilburn, A. B. '38, of Plain Dealing, December 24, 1939, in New Roads. Home—Plain Dealing where Mr. Hilburn is teaching in the high school.

Canaries are exceedingly sensitive to foul air and act to warn, so they are used to guard deadly gas tanks containing heavy carbon.

BIRTHS

Born to:

Mr. and Mrs. Travis Allen, ex '31, (Elizabeth Oarland, ex '37) of Converse, a girl, Mary Elizabeth, August, 1939.

Mr. and Mrs. Q. A. Hargis, (Lucy Mae Nugent, ex '35) of Colfax, a girl, Nancy Ann, July 31, 1939.

Mr. and Mrs. N. E. Thames, (Leo Welch, A. B. '37) of Natchitoches, a girl, Diane, November 18, 1939. Mr. Thames is assistant County Agent of Natchitoches Parish.

Mr. and Mrs. T. F. James, (Odessa Martin, A. B. '37) of Natchitoches, a son, Arthur Martin, August 1, 1939.

Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Cooksey, (Sentelle Johns, A. B. '39) of Clarks, a son, Wednesday, November 22, 1939, at Riverside Sanitarium in Monroe.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Andrews, (Mary Reed, A. B. '31) of Big Springs, Texas, a girl, Mary Catherine, February 12, 1940.

RELAY CARNIVAL WILL BE HELD ON CAMPUS APRIL 6

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will be awarded to winners of first, second and third places, respectively, in individual events, with plaques presented winners in the 440-yard, 880-yard and mile relay events to both classes. Individual cups will be given team winners of the meet.

Schools entering the relay carnival here last year were C. E. Byrd and Fair Park of Shreveport, Boyce, Benton, Bolton of Alexandria, Bossier City, Ajax, Coushatta, DeRidder, East Point, Ouachita Parish of Monroe, Pisgah, Plain Dealing, Cypress, Rayville, Tioga, Zwolle, Haynesville, Pelican, Oakhill, Minden, Martin, Florien, Sikes, Mony, Natchitoches and Wisner.

Coaches not receiving entry blanks and complete instructions governing the carnival here next month are requested to get in touch with Coach Turpin. The dead line for entries is on April 5, Coach Turpin said.

If cancer is diagnosed in its early stages it can be cured by the approved methods of treatment by X-rays, radium or surgery, individually or in combination.



Ray Richard and Roy Joseph Johnson, six-months-old twin sons of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Johnson, A. B. '32, of Glenmora.



Eleanor Elaine, two-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Warner (Alma Deendorf), A. B. '39, of Marfa, Texas.

Demons Finish Unbeaten, Untied Grid Schedule

Finishing the 1939 schedule of eleven games, undefeated and untied, the Demons had a very impressive record. Teams defeated by Normal were as follows:

- Centenary College 0—Normal 15
- East Texas Teachers 0—Normal 6
- So. Eastern College 0—Normal 18
- Louisiana College 0—Normal 19
- Louisiana Tech 0—Normal 26
- Mississippi Delta 6—Normal 40
- Stephens F. Austin 6—Normal 20
- Murray Teachers 0—Normal 19
- Ouachita College 0—Normal 19
- Mississippi Teachers 0—Normal 7
- So. Western Institute 0—Normal 6

Ten Regulars Lost

Having lost ten regulars through graduation, Capt. Edmond Saucier, F. C. Eason, John Renwick, Elton Kelly, Roy Gentry, Harry Creighton, Alt. Captain E. H. Gilson, Shug Murrell, John D. Bell, Thuron Maddox, quite a few gaps have to be filled. Five of the starting eleven must be replaced. Spring practice, well under way, finds quite a bit of scuffling among the squad to find who will fill these vacancies.

Woodrow Miller of Minden will Captain the 1940 squad assisted by Ernest Tyler of Springhill. Some of the high lights of the 1940 schedule are: Louisiana Tech, State Fair, October 19; Centenary Gentlemen of Shreveport will invade the Demons Camp on October 26 and on November 23 the Demons will travel to New Orleans to play Tulane there. November 28, Southwestern Institute at Lafayette.

1940 Football Schedule

- Sept. 27 *Murray Teachers at Natchitoches.
- Oct. 4 *Southwestern College at Natchitoches.
- Oct. 12 *La. College at Pineville.
- Oct. 19 La. Tech at State Fair, Shreveport.
- Oct. 25 *Centenary College at Natchitoches.
- Nov. 1 *Stephen F. Austin T. at Nacogdoches.
- Nov. 9 Miss. State College at Natchitoches (Homecoming)
- Nov. 15 Ouachita College at Arkadelphia.
- Nov. 23 Tulane University at New Orleans.
- Nov. 28 Southwestern La. at Lafayette.
- *Night Game

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Turpin To Coach Southern All-State

The South All-Stars will have Coach Harry Turpin of Louisiana State Normal College to coach them this summer, in the game that climaxes the L. S. U. Coaching School.

The squad at Coach Turpin's command is made up of the 22 boys selected from the list of outstanding high school players of the past season, in the Southern district of the state, who have finished their high school participation.

The members of the Louisiana High School Coaches Association have announced that they are glad to learn of Coach Turpin's acceptance, and feel that the results of his cooperation will be beneficial to the members of their association as well as to the players themselves.

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Faculty Attends College Conference

The second Annual Louisiana College Conference was held at Louisiana College, Pineville, on March 8 and 9. The opening program featured an address by

LOUISIANA INTERCOLLEGIATE CONFERENCE CHAMPIONS



Pictured above is the 1940 Louisiana Intercollegiate Conference champion basketball team. They are, left to right, first row: Morris, forward; T. Jackson forward; Cummings, forward; Boswell, guard; McCoy, forward; Thomas, forward. Second row: McElroy, guard;

Richard, guard; Snead, center; Fike, guard; Johnston, forward; J. Jackson, forward. Third row: Coach H. Lee Prather; Brown, guard; Briley, center; Starnes, guard; Perkins, forward, and Skinner, guard.

Golden Glove Tournament Champions Are Named

Completing the most successful intramural series of boxing contests ever staged on the campus, Guy Nesom, Head of the Physical Education Department, has announced the championship winners as well as those winning second and third place in the tournament. A great deal of enthusiasm was aroused among the student body over the series of boxing bouts.

Chancellor A. B. Butts of the University of Mississippi in which he discussed "Teaching in the College." Saturday's program consisted of departmental meetings in which information and problems were discussed relative to the several fields of college teaching. Many of the faculty members of the college participated in the discussions, and presented papers on various subjects.

Seventeen colleges and universities of the state are members of the Louisiana College Conference.

Baseball Team To Be Organized

At a recent meeting of the Athletic Council, it was unanimously decided to give intercollegiate baseball a trial on the campus this year.

The council pointed out that in light of the fact that the Louisiana Intercollegiate Conference is now considering baseball a major sport and has arranged to declare a championship in this branch of athletics based on games won and lost, and, further, since both student body and people of this area had expressed their great interest in this game and pledged their support, the council felt that it would be desirable to include this form of athletics in intercollegiate competition.

Probably all games of this season will be played on the town diamond, known as Highland Park, due to lack of facilities at the college. The "Columns" will publish, at a later date, a complete schedule of baseball for this spring.

John Wesley, who still ranks as the greatest of all hymn writers, composed more than 6,000 hymns.

Below is a list of the champions and second and third place winners of the 1940 intramural boxing championship bouts. The champions in the various classes were: 115—Perry Hollis, Oakdale; 125—Horace Clark, Farmerville; 135—Francis Herman, Detroit; 145—John D. Bell, Franklin; 155—Pat Nations, Minden; 165—Billy Bolton, Salline; 175—E. H. Gilson, Shreveport; and Heavy—John Blalock, Alexandria.

Second place winners in the various classes were: 115—Ray Foster, Anacoco; 125—Wallace Hunter, Alexandria; 135—Eddie Farris, Glenmora; 145—Lee Prather, Natchitoches; 155—Ike Robinson, Jonesville; 165—Charles Fike, Grand Cane; 175—Vic Marullo, New Orleans; and Heavy—Ralph Priest, Alexandria.

Third place winners in the various classes were: 115—Glen Morris, DeRidder; 125—J. W. Williamson, Alexandria; 135—A. B. Sutton, Natchitoches; 145—Malcolm Williamson, Alexandria; 155—Eddie Schumacher, New Orleans; 165—Al Subat, New Orleans; 175—W. E. McDermott, Bossier City; and Heavy—R. B. Carter, Winnfield.

FACULTY MEMBERS

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to meet with former students now teaching in the public school system and to have an opportunity to discuss with school administrators and teachers in what ways the high schools and colleges might be more helpful—one to the other.

During the past 12 years new museums have been built in the United States at the rate of one every 15 days.

Dr. W. C. Lowdermilk

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this survey he previously had made five agricultural explorations into northwest China.

Born in Liberty, North Carolina in 1888, Dr. Lowdermilk studied at Park College, Missouri, and later at the University of Arizona, at Oxford University in England, and at the University of California.

Following completion of his studies at the University of Arizona, Dr. Lowdermilk received a Rhodes Scholarship. When he had completed three years of study at Oxford, with field studies in Germany, he received, in 1915, degrees in the School of Forestry and Geology. From December 1914 to January 1915, he served on the Commission for Relief in Belgium.

Returning to the United States, he served until 1917 with the United States Forest Service, as a forest ranger in Arizona and New Mexico. When war was declared, he joined the 10th Engineers, A. E. F. and became timber acquisition officer for the Northeastern district in France. Then he served for a time on the special commission in Paris to assist the American Peace Commission in determining damages to forests and farm lands in battle field regions of France.

University of Mankind

After Dr. Lowdermilk's return to the United States, he was appointed district research officer of the U. S. Forest Service, with headquarters in Missoula, Montana. In 1922, he accepted a position as research professor in the University of Nanking, China, doing special work to determine the ways in which forestry could contribute to famine prevention in the Far East. As a part of his work, he compared the erosion conditions on cultivated farm lands with those of temple forests and studied the influence of vegetation on water run-off and erosion.

In 1927, Dr. Lowdermilk returned to the United States and entered the University of California where he did graduate work leading to the degree of Doctor of Philosophy, which he received

in 1928. Then he accepted a position in the Forest Service as project leader of studies in erosion and stream flow in the California region.

Pacific Science Association

Dr. Lowdermilk was a delegate to Congresses of the Pacific Science Association at Tokyo, Japan in 1926 and in Canada in 1933. He is chairman of the standing committee of land classification and utilization of this association. He was an official delegate to the Third International Congress of Soil Science in England in 1935. In October 1933, Dr. Lowdermilk was named vice-director of the Soil Erosion Service of the U. S. Department of Interior, and when that organization was renamed the Soil Conservation Service and became part of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, in 1935, he remained as associate chief, later to be appointed head of the research division.

Most farm work is done to music in the Philippines, musicians follow the workers as they do their chores, creating a rhythm for their movements that keeps their minds away from their tiredness.

A peach tree able to resist extreme cold was recently "patented" by an Ohio horticulturist—the first patent of its kind ever to be granted. The tree was developed to meet all the changing climatic conditions on this continent.

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